

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

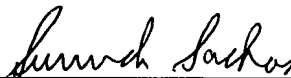
By the present Preliminary Amendment a new Abstract believed to be in more proper format under United States practice is submitted.

The claims are also amended without prejudice to no longer recite any multiple dependencies, and to delete the term "characterized by". The claim amendments are not believed to narrow the claims in any aspect.

The present application is believed to be in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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